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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

Pursuant to his duty of good faith and candor as set forth in 37 CFR 1.56(a), applicant requests that the references cited on attached form PTO-1449 (a copy of which is enclosed) be considered by the Examiner in connection with the search of the prior art required by 37 CFR 1.104.

Please note that two references were cited and discussed in the Notice of Reasons for Rejection of the Chinese Patent Office mailed on September 24, 2004 in a counterpart application. The relevance of these references can be seen from the enclosed Notice of Reasons for Rejection.

Please note that the applicant previously submitted one of these references with the Information Disclosure Statement filed on October 28, 2003 as follows:

1. EP 0 797 107 A, NISHIDE, 09/1997

This Statement is being filed under 37 CFR 1.97(b) prior to the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits.

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

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